

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The subject application accompanying this preliminary amendment is a divisional application of pending application 09/494,590.

In the specification, the amendments of paragraphs are duplications of amendments made during the prosecution of application 09/494,590.

In the figures, the amendments to the figures are duplications of amendments made during the prosecution of application 09/494,590.

Claims 27-43 remain in the application. Claims 1-27 have been canceled.

Claims 1-27 of the present application were either canceled or have been indicated as being allowable in pending application 09/494,590.

New Claims 27-41 here are duplicates of claims that were added to application 09/494,590 by amendment during prosecution of the application and were subject to a restriction requirement. New Claims 42 and 43 are variations of claims within the group of 27-41.

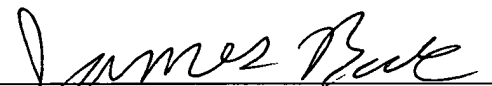
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Date: 11/26/03

Customer Number: 24024

Respectfully Submitted,



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